

Beaverton Police

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Beaverton Traffic Officers took the Three Flags Seatbelt Safety blitz seriously last month when they issued over 1,000 traffic tickets for not wearing or improper use of safety belts.

During the Three Flags enforcement blitz, February 9th through the 22nd, 576 citations were issued. An additional 448 tickets were given out during overtime hours and non blitz periods through out the month of February.

According to Beaverton Chief David G Bishop, first time seatbelt offenders were given the option of taking a seatbelt safety class and having the original citation dismissed by municipal court. An informal guess was that about 80% of the eligible defendants took advantage of that option.

The next enforcement blitz will take place in late May but police promise to continue due diligence on safety violations year round.

The Three Flags Safety Campaign involves law enforcement officials from Oregon, Washington and British Columbia.